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# Louisiana Crop Progress and Condition Report



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Week Ending July 6, 2014

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Louisiana, there were 5.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 6, 2014**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 3 percent very short, 17 percent short, 60 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 15 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 66.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Homer to 78.1 degrees Fahrenheit at Grand Isle. Highs ranged from 86.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Farmerville to 94.4 degrees Fahrenheit at New Orleans. The precipitation for this week was minimal throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the southwest part of the state with an average of 0.52 inches.

Crop progress for week ending July 6, 2014				
Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, dough	70	46	63	80
Corn , dented	40	-	22	-
Cotton, squaring	82	69	86	90
Cotton, setting bolls	39	19	13	45
Hay, first cutting	97	95	96	98
Hay, second cutting	35	20	30	34
Peaches, harvested	65	55	65	57
Rice, headed	57	31	44	49
Sorghum, headed	87	75	69	84
Sorghum, coloring	25	9	21	22
Soybeans, planted	100	99	99	99
Soybeans, emerged	97	96	97	99
Soybeans, blooming	77	62	50	66
Soybeans, setting pods	37	20	26	43
Sweet Potatoes, planted	98	95	100	98
Winter Wheat, harvested	100	99	100	100

Crop condition for week ending July 6, 2014					
Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	0	1	14	64	21
Cotton	0	1	14	65	20
Livestock	1	7	28	54	10
Pasture	0	6	25	56	13
Rice	0	1	19	57	23
Sorghum	0	2	31	52	15
Soybeans	2	7	18	49	24
Sugarcane	2	10	33	42	13
Vegetables	2	9	39	46	4

## Comments

- “Vegetable producers are harvesting field tomatoes, eggplants, and okra. They continue spraying to control insects and diseases in tomato fields as well.”

– Sandra Benjamin, Tangipahoa
- “Corn, sorghum, and rice all have really good potential at this point of the growing season. Soybean stands are sporadic offering much uncertainty in what yields may be at harvest. Sugarcane is really growing well. Pastures and forages for hay are yielding well also.”

– Vincent Deshotel, Saint Landry
- “Rice is heading very well, fungicide applications still ongoing; no major stink bug reports yet. Soybeans are progressing well with drier weather, large amount of hay baled and grass on the ground with the high pressure and low humidity weather this weekend.”

–Keith A Fontenot, Evangeline
- “Some hay was made in the drier weather of last week. Night time temperatures are becoming a concern for flowering rice. Rice is headed for the most part and the later planted beans are starting to flower. Pastures and sugarcane are making good growth.”

– Andrew Granger, Vermilion
- “Drier conditions allowed growers to return to the field this week. Sugarcane growers are trying to complete lay-by field preparations. Cane in many fields had 4 joints by the 4th of July. This is a sign that the cane should be tall enough to plant by the end of the month. Soybeans on cane rows have made good progress. Soybeans in low lying areas are stunted from moisture stress. Some crawfish ponds are still being harvested. Rainy weather during sorghum pollination appears to have reduced some yield potential.”

– Stuart Gauthier, Saint Martin

Louisiana Weather Summary for Week Ending July 6, 2014

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Mooringsport	90.0	71.3	80.6	82.5	-1.9	0.00	0	-0.89	1.23	-3.25
Extreme/Average	90.0	71.3	80.6	82.5	-1.9	0.00	0	-0.89	1.23	-3.25
<b>North Central</b>										
Calhoun	90.0	69.4	79.7	80.5	-0.8	0.09	1	-0.84	4.02	-0.06
Farmerville	86.6	67.3	76.9	81.6	-4.7	0.14	1	-1.06	2.37	-3.06
Homer	88.4	66.1	77.3	79.7	-2.4	0.00	0	-1.05	0.63	-1.22
Extreme/Average	88.3	67.6	78.0	80.6	-2.6	0.08	1	-0.98	2.34	-1.45
<b>Northeast</b>										
Lake Providence	88.6	70.1	79.4	82.0	-2.6	0.00	0	-0.74	3.88	1.88
Tallulah	89.1	71.1	80.1	81.5	-1.4	0.50	1	-0.52	6.97	3.45
Extreme/Average	88.8	70.6	79.8	81.8	-2.0	0.25	1	-0.63	5.42	2.67
<b>West Central</b>										
Ashland	88.1	67.3	77.7	80.8	-3.1	0.66	1	-0.40	3.64	-0.05
Hodges Gardens	91.4	71.6	81.5	81.8	-0.2	0.00	0	-0.74	5.73	1.65
Leesville	91.3	67.9	79.6	80.7	-1.2	0.32	2	-0.77	4.09	-0.65
Natchitoches	89.0	69.6	79.3	83.1	-3.8	0.00	0	-0.59	3.66	-0.73
Extreme/Average	90.0	69.1	79.5	81.6	-2.1	0.24	2	-0.63	4.28	0.05
<b>Central</b>										
Alexandria	91.9	71.3	81.3	82.7	-1.4	0.80	1	-0.39	6.59	1.48
Bunkie	92.1	71.5	81.8	82.0	-0.2	0.00	0	-1.07	3.17	-1.56
Eunice	91.0	72.2	82.2	83.5	-1.2	0.00	0	-1.35	8.24	3.05
Jonesville Locks	90.1	70.7	80.4	82.1	-1.7	0.07	1	-0.96	6.88	2.38
New Roads	90.4	69.7	80.1	82.7	-2.6	0.00	0	-1.16	5.17	-0.05
Extreme/Average	91.1	71.1	81.2	82.6	-1.4	0.17	1	-0.99	6.01	1.06
<b>East Central</b>										
Baton Rouge	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	0	-1.57	8.35	1.82
Hammond	91.4	70.3	80.9	81.3	-0.4	0.00	0	-1.52	5.30	-0.31
Norwood	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.14	1	NA	6.85	NA
Slidell	89.6	71.7	80.6	NA	NA	0.00	0	NA	6.76	NA
Extreme/Average	90.5	71.0	80.8	81.3	-0.4	0.04	1	-1.54	6.81	0.76
<b>Southwest</b>										
De Ridder	89.9	71.0	80.8	81.8	-1.1	1.53	2	0.03	6.93	0.86
Jennings	90.6	72.9	81.7	81.9	-0.2	0.02	1	-1.35	6.56	0.31
Oberlin Fire	88.9	69.9	79.4	81.5	-2.2	0.00	0	-1.47	7.82	1.52
Extreme/Average	89.8	71.3	80.6	81.8	-1.1	0.52	2	-0.93	7.10	0.90
<b>South Central</b>										
Donaldsonville	90.1	70.4	80.3	81.7	-1.4	0.00	0	-1.60	5.93	-0.86
Jeanerette	90.3	70.7	80.5	82.0	-1.5	0.00	0	-1.87	5.03	-2.79
Lafayette	91.8	72.5	82.2	81.5	0.7	0.00	0	-1.31	9.55	3.47
Morgan City	91.6	74.6	83.1	81.8	1.2	0.01	1	-1.81	4.95	-1.79
Extreme/Average	90.9	72.1	81.5	81.8	-0.3	0.00	1	-1.65	6.37	-0.49
<b>Southeast</b>										
Galliano	90.5	75.7	83.1	82.0	1.1	0.00	0	-1.63	4.17	-2.75
Gonzales	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.20	1	-1.34	7.66	0.95
Grand Isle	88.9	78.1	83.5	NA	NA	0.00	0	-1.78	6.01	0.68
New Orleans	94.4	76.7	85.6	NA	NA	0.00	0	NA	4.57	NA
Extreme/Average	91.3	76.8	84.0	82.0	1.1	0.05	1	-1.58	5.60	-0.37
<b>State</b>	90.1	71.3	80.7	81.8	-1.2	0.17	1	-1.09	5.20	0.11

DFN = Departure from Normal.  
NA = Not Available.